

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Nevada County Transportation Commission

FROM: Daniel B. Landon, Executive Director

SUBJECT: Executive Director's Report for the October 15, 2003 NCTC Meeting

DATE: October 9, 2003

1. STATE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (STIP) UPDATE

Biennially the California Transportation Commission (CTC) is required by statute to adopt a five-year Fund Estimate for the various transportation accounts that provide revenues to the STIP. The CTC determines the methodology for the Fund Estimate in consultation with Caltrans and the Regional Transportation Planning Agencies. The current schedule for completion of the 2004 STIP is shown below:

2004 STIP Development Schedule:

Caltrans presents Draft Fund Estimate to the CTC.	October 30, 2003
CTC adopts Fund Estimate.	December 11, 2003
Regions submit RTIPs.	By April 12, 2004
Caltrans submits ITIP.	By April 12, 2004
CTC STIP hearing, North.	May 12, 2004
CTC STIP hearing, South.	June 16, 2004
CTC publishes staff recommendations.	July 16, 2004
CTC adopts STIP.	August 5, 2004

Based on this schedule, starting in December, the Nevada County Transportation Commission (NCTC) will use information from the Fund Estimate and the STIP Guidelines to develop a Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP). The RTIP is a listing of projects that includes project cost and schedule. After reviewing the RTIPs from each Regional Transportation Planning Agency, the CTC determines which projects can be included in the 2004 STIP. With the recent change in the Governor's office, and the potential for change to the State budget, the schedule may be modified as the STIP process proceeds.

A summary of the draft Fund Estimate and changes to the STIP Guidelines will be presented in the November NCTC agenda packet.

2. IDAHO MARYLAND ROAD/EAST MAIN STREET INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

Meeting notes and an attendance roster from a stakeholder meeting held October 3rd are attached. Based on recommendations from the stakeholders meeting, we have included a proposal from

Bickett Engineering to prepare a Concept Approval Report (CAR) and a Project Study Report/Project Report (PSR/PR) for this improvement project in Action Item #7 of the October NCTC agenda packet. Total cost of the proposed work is \$66,710. Based on the fact that this project is the first on the Regional Transportation Mitigation Fee (RTMF) Expenditure List, an allocation from the RTMF is also included in Action Item #7.

3. DORSEY DRIVE INTERCHANGE STATUS REPORT

We are continuing to communicate and coordinate with Caltrans District 3 Project Manager, Tom Brannon, on a monthly basis. On October 7th, Mike Woodman attended a Project Development Team meeting in Marysville. Mr. Brannon will provide details of that meeting in his monthly report at the NCTC October meeting. NCTC staff are focused on insuring that the project is delivered on time, that costs stay within budget, and that NCTC is kept aware of any potential changes to the project.

4. SR 49/CRESTVIEW DRIVE INTERSECTION/INTERCHANGE PROJECT REPORT

Since the September NCTC meeting, project stakeholders and members of the NCTC Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) have reviewed a revised proposal from Mark Thomas and Company, Inc. to prepare project reports and environmental documentation for the proposed intersection and interchange. This proposal coordinates the environmental studies for the proposed intersection and interchange with the environmental work that will be done for the South Hill Village project. The Project Report for the interchange will be taken to the administrative draft stage. Timing for completion of the final Project Report for the proposed interchange will be identified based on the potential construction schedule to avoid the need to redo environmental studies if there is a significant amount of time that will pass before construction is needed.

Total cost of the revised proposal is \$318,408. After reviewing this proposal and considering other planning projects that may need to be done by NCTC in the current fiscal year, members of the TAC recommended that the developers of the Northstar and South Hill Village projects pay for the full cost of this work. The revised proposal from Mark Thomas and Company, Inc. is included as supporting documentation for Action Item #7 in the October NCTC agenda packet.

attachments